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## PLAN INCREASE IN NUMBER OF WOMEN FACTORY WORKERS, BRICKLAYERS

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS DECREES INCREASES IN WOMEN FACTORY WORKERS -- Budapest, Szabad Nep 2 Jun 51

The Council of Ministers has ordered an increase in the number of women workers employed in the factories. The response has been favorable in the few weeks since the promulgation of the decree. In the Matyas Rakosi Works, 396 women are being trained as electricians, fitters, and lathe and crane operators. The Matyas Rakosi Works doubled the number of its women workers within the year prior to the Council of Ministers' order and is contemplating employing 50 percent more during 1951.

In the Budafok Enamel Products Factory, 20 women are attending courses in tool making. In the Ganz Switch and Equipment Factory, 30 percent of the total working force are women, and this ratio will be increased to 40-45 percent by the end of 1951. Eighty percent of all workers in the garment industry will be women.

In some factories, however, the drive for more women workers is lagging. The director of United Incandescent is against the training program, and the Ganz Wagon Factory does not keep the trained women occupied. Two master machinists of the State Printing Office have interfered with all efforts to train women. These two hostile workers have been found to be right-wing Social Democrats.

The Council of Ministers also ordered promotion of female workers commensurate with their technical knowledge. Hungary already has a woman minister, a deputy minister, and factory directors.

CALL ON WOMEN TO BECOME BRICKLAYERS -- Budapest, Szabad Ifjusag, 11 May 51

The Office of Manpower Reserves has called on country girls from 14 to 18 years old to come to Budapest to become trainee bricklayers. The period of instruction is 18 months. Five months are spent in school, and the rest of the

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time is spent in practical work in construction. The student will receive 4 weeks of paid vacation per year, and she will be supplied with work clothes and uniforms without charge. The girls will be lodged in dormitories.

Applications, which must be endorsed by the president of the local council and by the DISZ (Association of Working Youth), will be accepted until 15 May.

DECREES 50-80 PERCENT OF EMPLOYEES TO BE WOMEN -- Innsbruck, Unio Press Service, 22 May 51

A decree issued by the Ministerial Council provides for the employment of women on a larger scale than ever before. At least 50 percent of all blue-collar workers and 80 percent of all white-collar employees are to be women. This new measure was made necessary by the drop in industrial production caused by army conscription.

Nurseries are to be established to care for the children of working mothers, and stores will remain open evenings so women can shop after work.

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